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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Docket No: Q62467

Tsutomi HASHIZUME, et al.

Appln. No.: 09/742,393

Group Art Unit: 2855

Confirmation No.: 1149

Examiner: Charlene Dickens

Filed: December 22, 2000

For: **INK JET RECORDING HEAD HAVING REDUCED STRESS CONCENTRATION
NEAR THE BOUNDARIES OF PRESSURE GENERATING CHAMBERS**

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated November 14, 2002 in which the Examiner has required a restriction, Applicants respond by electing Group I, i.e., claims 1-12 drawn to an ink jet recording head, classified in class 347, subclass 70.

Applicants hereby cancel claims 13-39 without prejudice or disclaimer. A Divisional Reissue Application is being filed concurrently herewith to prosecute claims 13-39. Applicants will amend the specification to include a cross reference to the Divisional Reissue Application in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.177(a) when the Divisional Reissue Application is assigned an application number.

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Applicants note that, the parent and the divisional reissue applications should be examined in parallel. If both reissue applications are allowed, they are supposed to be merged into a single reissue application (see MPEP §1450 and §1451).

Respectfully submitted,



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